

CLAIMS

We claim:

1. A method for treating post-surgical pain in an individual comprising administering to the individual an effective amount of an anti-nerve growth factor (NGF) antagonist antibody.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein resting pain is suppressed or ameliorated.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein mechanically-induced pain is suppressed or ameliorated.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the anti-NGF antagonist antibody is a human antibody.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the anti-NGF antagonist antibody is a humanized antibody.
6. The method of claim 1, wherein the anti-NGF antagonist antibody binds human NGF.
7. The method of claim 6, wherein the anti-NGF antagonist antibody binds human NGF with a binding affinity of about 0.1 nM or less than about 0.1 nM.
8. A pharmaceutical composition for treating post-surgical pain comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an anti-NGF antagonist antibody and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

9. A kit for treating post-surgical pain comprising a container, an anti-NGF antibody, and instructions for using the anti-NGF antagonist antibody to treat post-surgical pain.